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HIGGINSVILLE QUITS PARTY POLITICS

Will Have Two Tickets in Field at Municipal Election.

COE OFF COMMITTEE

Ways in Favor of Putting Up a Democratic Ticket and Resigned Because of Deadlock.

One of the results of the recent local option election at Higginville, when the town went overwhelmingly dry, was the abandonment of party politics in the coming city election. Heretofore municipal elections at Higginville have been run on strict party lines, there being in the field always a Republican and a Democratic ticket.

A new classification had to be made at the recent local option election according to "wet" and "dry." The dries after carrying the election decided that they wanted the law enforced strictly and nominated the following ticket:

For Mayor—J. H. Burgan; for Marshal—J. I. Parrish; for Police Judge—J. E. Riggs; for Collector—W. M. McElroy; for Alderman, 1st Ward—Frank George; for Alderman, 2nd Ward—L. T. Land; for Alderman, 3rd Ward—J. B. Heidbrink.

This they called the Law Enforcement ticket. On this there are members of both the Democratic and Republican parties.

The former "wets," it is understood, will have a ticket in the field, but it is hardly probable that it will be called the Anti-Law Enforcement ticket.

In both parties there was considerable opposition to this breaking away from tradition; but the Republican committee met last Monday and decided not to hold a convention. On Wednesday the Democratic committee met to consider rescinding its action calling for a convention, since a petition had been presented asking it to do so. There was a deadlock until J. G. Coe finally resigned.

Mr. Coe had consistently favored rescinding the election on party lines and had opposed the new system in the paper, The Jeffersonian. His resignation left the way clear for the committee to rescind its action, and consequently there will be no Democratic ticket nominated.

This seems to be the first step in Higginville's coming to the system in vogue in Lexington. Although there will probably be two distinct tickets in the field at this election, it is easy to see that the present arrangement is only tentative and in a few years there will not be any opposing "tickets," but each candidate will simply stand on his own merit.

One More Week.

Then those who have been receiving this paper for nothing, those who had no particular use for the paper but who neglected to order it stopped, those who have been reading it regularly and laughing secretly at the easy qualities of the publishers, those who have intended to settle but forgot about it, in fact all those who have not paid up to some time in advance will have their names taken off the mailing list.

Dr. Gordon Resigns.

It transpired Tuesday that Dr. E. C. Gordon, pastor of the local Presbyterian church, had handed in his resignation to the session of the church Monday afternoon. The cause of his action has not been made public. The formal announcement together with Dr. Gordon's statement will be presented to the church Sunday and on Sunday, March 29, the church will pass on the resignation.

Mrs. Frank Stewart went to Higginville Wednesday to visit relatives for a few days.

Dr. E. C. Gordon and Col. Sanford Sellers returned yesterday from a short trip to Mexico, Mo.

Misses Dixie Graddy and Caltha Campbell went to Kansas City Thursday morning to spend the day.

Mrs. M. E. Nickell, who has been visiting relatives in Fulton for the past few weeks, returned home Tuesday evening.

Judges of Election.

The following are the judges of election, elected by the Lafayette county court to serve at the local option election April 4th.

Bates City—Geo. W. Gillespie, Geo. W. Waterhouse, J. B. Shelby, and J. B. Williamson.

Greentown—R. S. Colvin, C. Y. Ford, August Semmler and B. W. Hunsfeld.

North Odessa—D. U. Brown, Presley Anderson, A. A. Laughlin and Thomas V. Foster.

Wellington—R. L. Mann, John A. Thomson, Gideon Jennings and Isaac Vance.

Napoleon—John Hoehn, John Strodtman, B. W. Jefferson and Geo. Williams.

South Higginville—Samuel Wagner, C. E. Meyer, James Gray and C. F. Grau.

Schoolingville—William Hickman, W. W. Prigmore, Timothy Sullivan, and Mike Summers.

Corder—Henry C. Wahrenbrock, C. L. Wilson, D. G. Jackson and Harry Rodekohl.

Page City—Chas. Mulhern, John Walker, Geo. W. Hall and John K. Lyons.

Confed. Home—Thos. Elsea, Alfred O. Downing, Lynch Turner and William Fisher.

North Higginville—Walter Chiles, H. C. Tee, Chris. Temple and J. C. Fulkerson.

Dover—Henry Hoehn, J. H. Cather, John Plattenberg and Martin Phillips.

Hodge—Jesse L. Hitt, Wm. Crustmeyer, John Owen and Jesse Edwards.

Concordia—Julius Vogt, Jr., Edward Llesse, A. F. Kresse and Otto Walkenhorst.

Aulville—Julius Marring, Milton Harris, Mode Anson and Charles Graham.

Borland—W. W. Downag, Jos. L. Youngs, C. J. Fitzgerald and J. J. Worden.

Court House—Russell Daehler, Frank Stewart, James O'Donnell and Richard Ham.

East Lexington—M. C. McFaddin, James Spurlock, Young Hicklin and Glover Branch.

West Lexington—Henry W. Warder, David Mitchell, John W. Abbott and R. M. Howe.

Alma—J. H. Dierker, Ike P. Taylor, E. J. Rogge and Isham Corder.

Waverly—William Milnor, William Drunert, George Hudson and David Davis.

Ferguson School House—Wood Brown, B. L. Groom, Arthur Thomas, and P. A. Moisinger.

South Odessa—H. N. Brown, Geo. Sullivan, John Barnett and J. H. Green.

Chapel Hill—John L. Berry, Joseph Harris, James Dean and Benjamin Tarwater.

Wolfenbarger—James Buchanan, James Ripley, Elmo E. McBarney and A. M. Wilcoxon.

Mayview—Dan E. Herr, Ben S. Higgins, Ed S. Butt and Weed Marshall.

Centerville—Thomas Salyer, James Sanders, Richard Powell and E. O. Rex.

Death of Mrs. Henry.

Mrs. E. B. Henry died Thursday morning at her home in this city after an illness of nearly five months. Mrs. Henry was stricken with paralysis in November of last year. Her condition grew worse, at first gradually, but within the past few days rapidly, until the end of her great suffering came.

Mrs. Henry was a daughter of Anthony W. and Cynthia Hutchins and was born at Natchez, Mississippi in August 1836. Mr. Hutchins with his family moved to this county in 1852 and made his home in the Odessa vicinity. Of this family five members are living: Mrs. B. R. Ireland of this city; Mrs. Fred Crosby of Ft. Worth, Texas; A. W. Hutchins of Houston, Texas; Jere C. Hutchins of Detroit, Michigan; and James Hutchins of Nevada. Besides these brothers and sisters, Mrs. Henry's own family of five children, three sons and two daughters, all survive.

The funeral services will be held at the family home this afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Dr. E. C. Gordon of the Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. Henry was an active devoted member.

Interment will be made in Maple Hill cemetery.

Joseph Edmonds returned Wednesday evening from a brief stay in Sedalia.

A marriage license was issued Saturday to: George C. Baker.....Hodge, Katie E. Butler.....Hodge.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Was Well Observed By Social and Fraternal Organizations.

That Tuesday was St. Patrick's day could easily be told by the most casual observer on the streets of Lexington. Nearly every man wore a green necktie or a shamrock. There was no picnic or street parade or extraordinary amount of drunks; but everybody entered in some way into the spirit of the occasion.

In the evening there was a multiplicity of attractions. The Redmen had a delightful supper in their hall at which they entertained about 200 guests. In connection with this supper Bell's band made its first public appearance since last summer. The organization has been practicing steadily during the winter and has perceptibly improved. Its playing last night provoked much favorable comment.

At the opera house there was a show, "Texas Sweethearts," which did a fair business.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Father Matthew gave a dance at the Turner hall and had a good attendance. The Evans-Mountain orchestra furnished the music.

There was another pleasant dance at the Elks home. It was strictly informal and the pianola provided the melodies.

The pinocle club was entertained in charming fashion by Miss Laura Stalling. The decorations and refreshments carried out the St. Patrick's day idea.

Baseball Prospects at Wentworth.

As yet it is somewhat difficult to state definitely the outlook for a successful baseball season at Wentworth this year, but from all present indications the team bids fair to excel greatly that of last year. Four teams are already in the process of organization and the national sport is to be indulged in by the greater part of the student body.

The weather up-to-date has not been conducive to good ball playing and practice has been delayed considerably for this reason.

Of last year's team, Randolph and Hurley are the only men in school. The new men, who are showing up well are Blake, who will undoubtedly hold down the first sack, Kelley, a likely candidate for shortstop, Crawford, who has the third sack cinched, while the second station will either go to Richardson or Upton. The outfield rests between Randolph, Ellis, Upton or Richardson, McPherson and Boadman. The catcher will probably be Ahrens.

The pitching staff will be strong in the person of Hurley, who pitched fine ball last year and had considerable practice and experience last summer. Randolph and Upton, both of whom have plenty of speed and good many curves, will help out.

The schedule as now contemplated is:

March 28th, K. C. Central High at Lexington.

April 2nd, Mo. Valley College at Marshall.

April 11th, Westport High School at Lexington.

April 13th and 14th, Kemper Military School at Lexington.

April 18th, Central College of Fayette at Lexington.

April 23rd, Westminster at Lexington.

May 1st, Missouri School for Deaf at Fulton.

May 2nd, Westminster at Fulton.

May 9th, Missouri Military Academy at Lexington.

During Commencement, Game with K. U. Freshmen.

Also a series of three games with the Warrensburg Normal School team while the cadets are in camp.

Mrs. S. N. Wilson and her two daughters, Elizabeth and Theresa, returned Tuesday evening from a short visit in Warrensburg.

Mrs. William Barton returned to her home in Kansas City Wednesday after a brief visit with her brother, Walter B. Waddell, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Young, who have been spending a few days with Mr. Young's mother, Mrs. E. B. Young, in this city returned to their home in Sedalia this morning.

Mr. C. G. Dickmeyer of near Lexington took his wife to Kansas City Monday to see a specialist. She has been in very poor health for years. She will remain in the St. Joseph hospital for several weeks.

PETER KLINE DEAD

Was An Early Settler in Lafayette County.

Simon Peter Kline, familiarly known as "Uncle Pete Kline" died Wednesday evening of apoplexy at his home on Eighteenth street near the cemetery.

Mr. Kline was born in Frederick county, Virginia on August 23, 1825. In December of 1853 he moved to Missouri and settled in Lafayette county, where he lived until his death. He engaged profitably in farming until four years ago, when he retired from active work and moved to Lexington.

On September 15, 1854, he was married to Miss Barbara E. Leach, who died on October 5, 1877. One son, Harley, was born to this union and he died in 1889.

On November 8, 1894, Mr. Kline was married to Miss Bettie M. Mitchell. His wife survives him. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Sarah Legg, of Charleston, West Virginia. He had four other sisters and seven brothers, all of whom are dead.

Mr. Kline was an estimable gentleman, honest, industrious and upright, and one of the best known and most respected citizens of the county. His was a familiar figure to most of the residents of this vicinity and his loss will be mourned by many.

WAVERLY NOTES.

Will Jordan was in Wellington last week.

S. J. White was a Marshall visitor Thursday.

J. Q. Jones was up from Grand Pass Saturday.

W. P. Milnor was in Higginville last Thursday.

Capt. Irv. Zeysing of Dover was in town Saturday.

Homer VanMeter was over from Corder last week.

N. J. Gordon was in Higginville one day of last week.

Mrs. A. B. Shusher was visiting in Kansas City last week.

Miss Bess Larkin spent Saturday with relatives in Wellington.

J. S. Callaway was a business visitor in Higginville last week.

Clayt Landrum and Glen Jones were in Malta Bend Wednesday.

J. W. McClure was transacting business in Lexington last week.

Mrs. John Leach left last week for an extended visit in El Paso, Texas.

Henry Hoerner, who has been quite sick for some time is able to be about again.

Smith Robertson and family of Alma spent Sunday with relatives at this place.

Milton Drunert of Warrenton is visiting his brothers, Chas. and Edwin Drunert.

Robt. Pointer of Lexington was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Bray, Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Burnett returned last week after a visit of several weeks in Kansas City.

Miss Koehling of Warrenton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edwin Drunert, this week.

Mrs. Isaac Fulkerson and little daughter, Lucile, returned last week from Excelsior Springs.

Miss Naomi Karr left Friday for an extended visit with relatives in Kansas City and Harrisonville.

Oscar Thomas and wife of Lexington spent Sunday with the former's parents, W. Scott Thomas and wife.

Mrs. A. H. Ledford and daughter, Miss Rovilla, left Thursday for a short visit with friends at St. Louis.

Mrs. C. D. Baer left last week for Kansas City to be with her granddaughter, Miss Ouida Davis, who is quite sick.

Miss Mayre McKay returned Sunday after a visit of several months with her sister, Mrs. Lon Neville, in Chickasha, Ok.

Miss Ethelene Johnson returned to her home in Nelson after a short visit with her cousins, Mrs. C. A. Miller and Miss Louise Johnson.

Mrs. Bess Larkin and son, John, were pleasantly surprised at their home, in the Centerville vicinity, by a number of the young people of that neighborhood. All report a very pleasant evening.

T. J. Bandon went to Kansas City yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Megenly and their two children went to Kansas City yesterday for a several days' stay.

Local Option Speaking.

Rev. J. E. Henshaw, Friday, March 20, at Mayview, Monday, March 23, at Maple Glenn, Tuesday, March 24, at Eden View, Wednesday, March 25, at Mt. Hebron, Thursday, March 26, at Hazel Dell, Friday, March 27, at Wallace Chapel, Monday, March 30, at Webb School House, Tuesday, March 31, at Page City, Wednesday, April 1, at Brick School, Thursday, April 2, at Slusher School, Friday, April 3, at Greentown.

Rev. Father Francis Cummins, Monday night, March 30, Dover, Tuesday, March 31, 2 p. m., at Confederate Home, Tuesday night, March 31, at Corder.

Rev. C. C. Callaway, Colored, at Waverly, March 23, night, at Hodge, March 25, night, Dover, March 26, night.

James N. Crutcher, Wednesday night, March 25, at Waverly, Friday night, March 27, at Page City, Sunday, March 29, 11 a. m. at Mt. Hebron, Sunday, March 29, 3 p. m. to colored people at Odessa, Monday night, March 30, at Alma, Friday night, April 3, opera house at Odessa, Saturday March 28, 2 p. m. with Rev. Koehler at Concordia.

Rev. J. H. Koehler, Monday, March 23, at Alma, Thursday, March 26, at Catron School house, Friday, March 27, at Dover.

Rev. S. J. White, Monday, March 30, at Napoleon, Tuesday, March 31, at Wellington, Wednesday, April 1, at Dover, Thursday, April 2, at Hitt school, Friday, April 3, at Waverly.

Don Carlos Jones and J. L. Parrish, Monday, March 30, at Mt. Tabor Church, Tuesday, March 31, at Marvin Chapel.

Rev. L. Hiers, Monday, March 30, at Elm Grove School, Tuesday, March 31, at Mock School. Other announcements will be made later.

Respectfully,
JAMES N. CRUTCHER,
President County Anti-Saloon League.

The Lecture Course.

Inquiries have been made about the time and the man for the next lecture—the fourth and last number of the series.

After much correspondence and, having a desire to accept none but the best to meet the place made vacant on the first number, the committee in charge has engaged for May 6th, Dr. Monroe Markley of Denver to give one of his lectures. More of him will be stated later.

The Redpath Bureau says: "Dr. Markley is a man of splendid oratorical power and of a commanding presence. He is an original thinker and has a wonderful command of the English language. His lectures have a literary beauty unsurpassed by many orators of much wider reputation."

Those persons holding the Hobson tickets will use them for admittance to this lecture and it is hoped that a large audience will await the coming of this unexcelled speaker, Dr. Markley.

Arrangements are being considered for next season's course of entertainments.

Lexington cannot afford to be without the advantages of a Popular Lecture Course consisting of first class literary and musical attractions given at the Opera House during the season for such entertainments.

The purpose to furnish this popular lecture course, annually, was announced last year and may be carried forward if the necessary support and encouragement of the citizens be given.

The high class of attractions furnished this season by the ladies in charge of the course gives the assurance that the last attraction will be first class in every particular.

Mrs. Bettie W. Shotwell Dead.

Mrs. Bettie W. Shotwell, wife of Jabez E. Shotwell, died at her home near Odessa, Friday, March 13th, 1908. She had been suffering for several months with sarcoma, and from the beginning of her illness there were grave doubts of her recovery. She bore her suffering with Christian patience and fortitude, but in spite of the efforts of her physicians and friends to prolong her life, succumbed to the dread disease.

Mrs. Shotwell was born February 28th, 1837, in Lafayette Co., Mo. She was educated in the old Baptist Seminary in Lexington, Mo., and in February 1856 was married to Jabez Shotwell. She was the mother of eight children, six of whom survive her. She was a noble Christian woman. Her family and the entire community mourn her loss.

THE GRAND OLD FIDDLERS' CONTEST

Took Place at Opera House Last Monday Evening.

JEREMIAH JONES WINS

Fiddle Selections, Songs, Recitations and Dances Delighted the Large Audience.

As the curtain went up at the Grand Opera House Monday evening, a large crowd of 31 persons (to be exact), consisting of those who were able to appreciate and enjoy the rare musical talent such as was displayed, had gathered to witness "The Grand Old Fiddlers' Contest," which had attracted so much attention during the past few weeks. The organizer of this contest came upon the stage and in a neat speech announced that the performance had begun. But first he requested that three gentlemen from the audience volunteer to act as judges. Several names were suggested, among which were those of Gene Weber, Dick Mitchell, Pet Cole, Judge Burden, and Henry Gaynor, but all of these favored gentlemen for some reason declined to serve.

"The Arkansas Traveler" was the first number on the program and was beautifully rendered by Mr. Jeremiah Jones, aged 71. When it was announced that Mr. George Combs, the only left-handed fiddler present, would play a selection entitled "Hell on the Wabash," some one from the audience interposed the question, "Why Not the Mo. Pacific?"

A burst of applause rarely equalled in the New Grand was given Mr. Eli Young for the conclusion of his catchy piece "The Devil's Dream." Mr. Young is very "deef" and uses an ear trumpet but he gratefully acknowledged the compliment just the same. A chorus of six dusky youths sang a song entitled "Nicodemus." Then Mr. A. Jerome Farrell, author of "Nicodemus" was called upon and sang it as it should have been sung. Mr. Farrell received much applause and responded to an encore by a heart-rending recitation of "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

An old fashioned quadrille was danced by four young ladies and the same number of young gentlemen in a graceful manner. The dance was very interesting and only lasted 46 minutes. Jim Mitchell and his orchestra closed the program by a pleasing selection entitled "The Soldier's Joy." Many other numbers too numerous to mention were on the program. The first prize was awarded to Mr. Jeremiah Jones.

Dr. G. W. Bates was in Bates City Wednesday.

W. V. Curtis spent Wednesday in Kansas City.

Charles Lyons was in Kansas City Wednesday on business.

Mrs. John Morrison spent Wednesday in Kansas City.

Leroy Farmer went to Kansas City Thursday morning on business.

C. C. Barnard went to Kansas City Wednesday morning on business.

Col. S. Sellers went to Mexico, Mo. Wednesday on church business.

Dr. N. B. Payne went to Kansas City Wednesday for a short stay.

W. Z. Mitchell went to Kansas City Wednesday evening for a short stay.

Miss Rose O'Malley went to Kansas City Wednesday to visit relatives.

R. T. Johnson left Tuesday evening for a short trip to Nowata, Okla.

Mrs. G. W. Fredendall went to Kansas City Wednesday to spend the day.

Miss Sophie Tunstall went to Kansas City Thursday for a several days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Andreen went to Kansas City yesterday to spend the day.

Mrs. J. R. Moorehead and daughter, Miss Lillian, spent Thursday in Kansas City.

Mrs. Frank Graupner went to Kansas City Wednesday to visit relatives for a few days.

Boru, to the wife of Lyman Reeder in Batesville, Arkansas, Tuesday, March 17th, a boy.